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CHAPTER 1: HAPPY PROJECT

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AUGUST 1, 20XX
MORNING HAS FINALLY COME...
新連載!!!
Souta!
YES..
IT'LL INFLUENCE MY DESTINY...
"THAT" WILL START TODAY!
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恋愛推進ラブコメディ 新連載57ページ!!

男女7人

ドラマは無限

告白機会は

1回だけ!?

ハッピープロジェクト

落合ヒロカズ

第1話 ハッピープロジェクト

AH...

LOOK,
YOU'RE AWAKE!

UHM. .I'M NOT BEING AN EXHIBITIONIST HERE. .
THE REASON IS JUST THAT I COULDN'T SEEM TO SLEEP WELL YESTERDAY...
HUH?

Guaaah!
LET ME INTRODUCE MYSELF FIRST.

18 YEARS OLD, AND STILL NO GIRLFRIEND.
I'M JUST A NORMAL THIRD YEAR HIGH SCHOOLER, NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT ME.
MY NAME IS MIYANO SOUTA.
SEE, SOUTA? IF YOU DIDN'T HURRY, WE WOULD'VE MISSED OUT!
AND THIS GIRL IS OKUYAMA KAEDE.
SHE IS MY SO-CALLED "CHILDHOOD FRIEND."
WHA...I ONLY GOT A BIT OF A REST...
IF YOU GOT UP A BIT EARLIER, WE WOULDN'T HAVE TO RUSH!

YOU'RE JUST WHAT?
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THAT'S NOT TRUE!
I'M JUST...
YOU'RE BEING TOO NERVOUS FOR THIS IMPORTANT DAY!
GOOD THING I CAME TO PICK YOU UP
THE TRUTH IS, I DO KNOW...
THAT TODAY IS AN IMPORTANT DAY...
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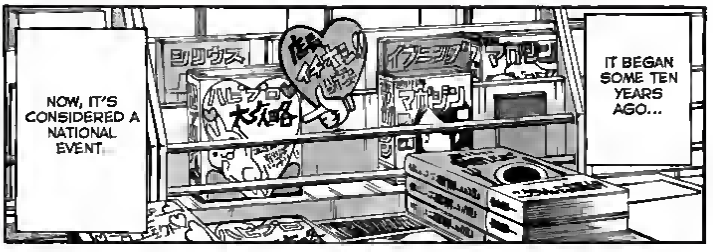
NEVER MIND!
HAPPY PROJECT,
SHORT-ENED TO HAPIPURO.
Happy Project
EVERY YEAR, DURING THE SUMMER BREAK...
THE GOVERN-MENT ORGANIZES A HUGE EVENT...

THIS IS LIKE THE COUNTRY'S BOARDING HOUSE FOR MARRIAGE INTERVIEWS
SO TO SPEAK ...
UNMARRIED 18-YEAR OLD BOYS AND GIRLS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY
WILL BE SPLIT INTO GROUPS OF SEVERAL PEOPLE, AND WILL LIVE TOGETHER FOR A MONTH'S TIME...
THIS IS A PROJECT TO FIND A MARRIAGE PARTNER.
BUT SOON AFTER, THE RATE OF PEOPLE ATTENDING BEGAN TO INCREASE,
AND THE PUBLIC OPINION BEGAN TO CHANGE...
AT FIRST, IT RECEIVED NEGATIVE CRITICISM..
THIS WAS MADE AS A BILL TO COUNTERACT THE CHILDREN-TO-ADULT RATIO ..


IT BEGAN SOME TEN YEARS AGO...
NOW, IT'S CONSIDERED A NATIONAL EVENT.

SOUTA! WAIT A SEC!
WHY IN THE WORLD DID YOU GO AHEAD?
UNBELIEV-ABLE!
AH...

WHAT THE. YOU TOLD ME TO GO FASTER, AND NOW YOU TELL ME TO WAIT...
LOOK, THE BUS STAT-ION IS JUST A BIT FUR-THER...
BUT...
FOR CRYIN' OUT LOUD ...

TH...
THANK YOU...

GIVE ME THAT.
EH?
YOU TOLD ME TO WAIT, DIDN'T YOU?

OKAY, LET'S GO!

?

What's with this? so heavy!
Is there a corpse here?
STOP SAYING SCARY STUFF, WILL YOU?
THOSE ARE JUST MY USUAL CHANGE OF CLOTHES!

!!

Grrrgh
...

That bus is for Hapi-Poro!
Crap! We're gonna be left behind!
Y... Yeah!

Let's run for it, Kaede!
'KAY!

Hyaaah!
WOW!

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WE MADE IT JUST IN TIME!
AH...YEAH... SEEMS LIKE IT...

EVERYBODY LOOKS SO SERIOUS...
YEAH...
SINCE THEIR MARRIAGE PARTNER, AND THEIR FUTURE IS GONNA BE DECIDED BY HAPIPURO...
ASIDE FROM THAT, DO YOU THINK IT'LL BE FUN?
WILL THEY HAVE STUFF LIKE KARAOKE?
YOU KNOW...
THIS ISN'T SOME FIELD TRIP!
OH YEAH...
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TRUTH IS, I FORGOT TO BRING DRINKS!
OH! THANKS!
YOU MUST BE THIRSTY FROM ALL THAT RUNNING!
WANNA DRINK?
THAT'S THANKS FOR CARRYING MY BAGS...
WELL...
Eh?
Why did you drink it all up?
HUH?
IT'S EMPTY...
AH...
WH... WHAT IS IT?
It wasn't on accident!
I didn't bring any other drinks for myself!
UHMMM ...BY ACCI-DENT?

Nowaaaah!

I THINK I NEED TO GO TO THE TOILET... ♡
LEAK IT THERE FOR ALL I CARE!

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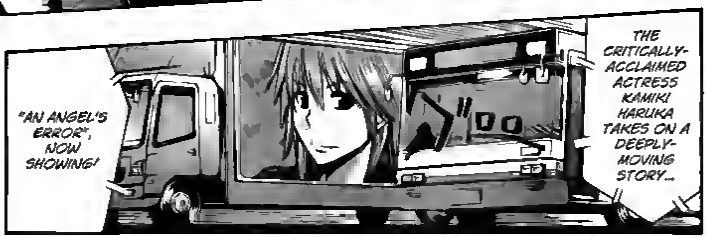
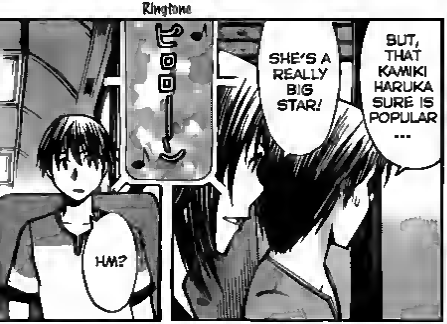

THE CRITICALLY-ACCLAIMED ACTRESS KAMIKI HARUKA TAKES ON A DEEPLY-MOVING STORY...
"AN ANGEL'S ERROR", NOW SHOWING!


Ringtone
HM?
SHE'S A REALLY BIG STAR!
BUT, THAT KAMIKI HARUKA SURE IS POPULAR ...

UWAH, THAT'S THE WORST ...
I FELT REALLY SMALL FOR A MOMENT THERE!
WHAT, AN ADVERTISMENT CAR! THAT WAS FRIGHTENING!

PROJECT
HAPPY
WE ARE ABOUT TO SHOW YOU A DVD PROGRAM
EVERYONE, PLEASE TURN TO THE MONITOR AT THE FRONT.
EH? A DVD?
WHAT THE, IT'S JUST AN EDUCATIONAL DVD FOR HAPIPURO.
I THOUGHT IT WAS A MOVIE...
THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU THIS IS NO FIELD TRIP!
Whoa! That's Kamiki Haruka!
SHE'S WONDERFUL AT PR FOR THE GOVERNMENT...
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GOOD DAY, EVERYONE!
I'M THE HAPPY PROJECT SPOKESMODEL, KAMIKI HARUKA!
THANK YOU...
FOR PARTICIPATING IN THIS TRIP TO HAPIPURO!

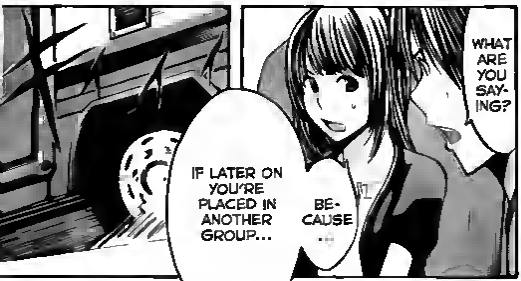
ALL OF YOU WILL BE DIVIDED INTO GROUPS CONSISTING OF 3 BOYS AND GIRLS...
AND YOU WILL BE SENT TO LIVE WITH EVERY MEMBER FOR ONE MONTH!
FROM HERE ON OUT...
I'M GOING TO EXPLAIN THE RULES AS SIMPLY AS POSSIBLE!
AND, YOU MUST PROPOSE TO HIM OR HER...
YOU SHALL FIND A PARTNER TO COURT WITHIN THE MEMBERS...
EH? WHAT'S THE MEAN-ING OF THAT?
WHAT ARE YOU SAY-ING?
DIDN'T YOU LEARN IT FROM THE LESSONS BEFORE?
THIS PROPOSAL ...
CAN NOT BE DONE FOR ONE'S CONVENIENCE!

DURING THE COURSE OF HAPIPURO, A GROUP WILL BE ACCOMPANIED...
BY A STAFF MEMBER OR A PERSON-IN-CHARGE...
IN THE CASE THAT YOU SHALL PROPOSE,
YOU MUST TELL THE PERSON-IN-CHARGE, "I WILL PROPOSE TO THIS PERSON!"
REALLY?
I DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS A RULE LIKE THAT...
THIS IS AN IMPORTANT RULE!
NOT ABIDING THIS WILL BE INSTANT DISQUALIFICATION SO BE CAREFUL ABOUT THAT, OKAY?
HEY, WHEN YOUR PROPOSAL IS REFUSED, IT'S OVER, RIGHT?
BUT... THIS IS A BIT DIFFERENT.

IN THAT CASE, THE ONE WHO REFUSED CAN GET BACK INTO THE GROUP..
PERSON WHO REFUSED
REFUSED PERSON
AND THE REFUSED PERSON MUST GO TO ANOTHER GROUP

OH, IT'S BECAUSE IF THAT...
I FAIL, I WILL BE SENT TO A NEW PLACE, RIGHT?

AH! SO THAT'S IT!
WHAT'S WITH THE RELIEVED LOOK?


WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
BECAUSE...
IF LATER ON YOU'RE PLACED IN ANOTHER GROUP...

YOU...
DIDN'T LISTEN TO THE LESSONS PROPERLY, HUH...

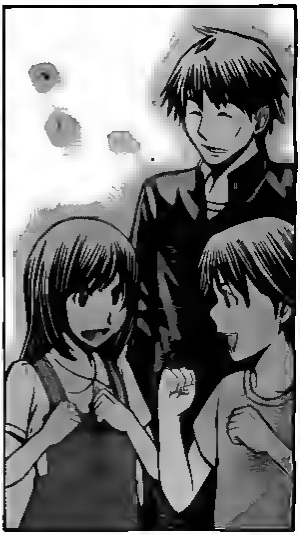
WH... WHAT THE?
Uwah!
Nuoooh!
HEY! THAT'S DANGER-OUS, YOU KNOW?
NOW THE TRAFFIC LIGHT IS RED!

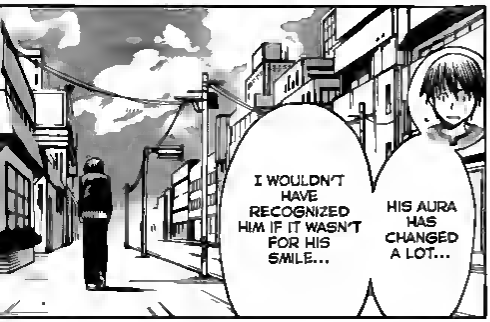
H... HEY...
COULD THAT GUY BE SATORU-SAN?
HE USED TO PLAY WITH US A LONG TIME AGO!

HEY...IS THAT GUY ALRIGHT?
HE'S STAGGERING ON HIS FEET...

SATORU-SAN?

AH!
I THOUGHT SO, RIGHT?




I WOULDN'T HAVE RECOGNIZED HIM IF IT WASN'T FOR HIS SMILE...
HIS AURA HAS CHANGED A LOT...

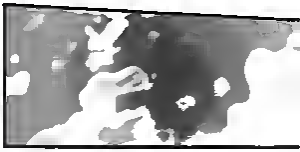
FAILED AT HAPIPURO, HUH...
EH?
THIS IS JUST WHAT I HEARD, BUT...
SATORU-SAN FAILED FOR A REASON...
AND WE HAVEN'T HEARD FROM HIM SINCE THEN...
FOUR YEARS AGO, HE FAILED AT HAPIPURO,
IT'S A REALLY ISOLATING SITUATION...
ISN'T IT TOO LATE TO CUT INTO RELATIONSHIPS THAT ARE ALREADY SOLIDIFIED?
WHEN YOU JOIN ANOTHER GROUP...
REALLY...
THAT'S WHAT MY MOM SAID.
SATORU-SAN... HE EVENTUALLY DIDN'T MAKE ANY INTIMATE CONNECTIONS BY THE END OF HAPIPURO.

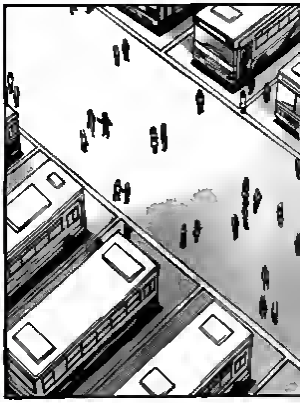
PEOPLE WHO CAN'T MARRY THROUGH HAPIPURO ARE CONSIDERED INCOMPATIBLE WITH SOCIETY THESE DAYS...
WHAT A CRUEL STORY IT IS.
SOU-TA?
.....
SOUTA ...
AH, SORRY! WHAT WERE YOU SAYING AGAIN?

I'LL BE PARTICI-PATING IN HAPIPURO THIS YEAR!
EVERYONE, LET'S DO OUR BEST!

OHH...
NOTHING.

Whoa!





Amazing!
Is this all of the participants for HapiPura?

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THEY'RE SELLING MARINE GOODS HERE!
WHOA! LOOK AT THIS!
Wai... Souta?

Whoa! It's so full of people!
IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT, A LOT OF 18 YEAR OLDS ARE UNMARRIED...
IT'S ABOUT 10,000 IN ALL, RIGHT?

*Note: Beckoning Cat, considered a lucky charm.
**Note: Seven Deities of Good Luck

Let's take a picture with Hapipurou!
WA... WAIT!
Look at that, Kaede!
Even Hapipurou is here!
HAPIPURO OFFICIAL MASCOT "HAPIPUROU"

Take the first three syllables of Hapipuro and add the kanji Rou, which is usually added to make something a name.

AND I SHOULD BE IN ASSEMBLY HALL 3.
THEN, WE'LL BE GOING OPPO-SITE WAYS.
LOOKS LIKE THERE'S NO ARGUING THAT...

I'LL BE IN ASSEM-BLY HALL 5!
I CAN'T TELL WHERE WE SPLIT INTO GROUPS THROUGH THIS...

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RIGHT...

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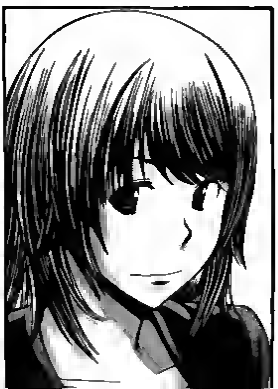
YOU'RE SCARED, RIGHT?
HEY SOUTA ...



T... THAT'S STUPID...
THIS ISN'T ANY-THING SPEC-IAL...
YOU DON'T HAVE TO TELL ME...
I JUST KNOW IT!
DAMN ...
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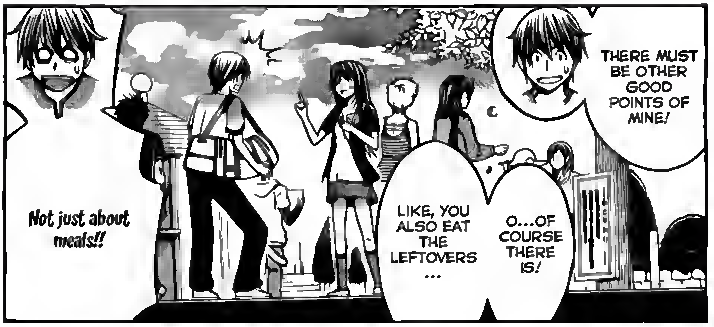
I'VE BEEN FOUND OUT, HUH...
IT'S BECAUSE I'VE BEEN WITH YOU FOR SO MANY YEARS...

DO YOU REMEMBER ANY GIRL
THAT I'VE LIKED?
IT'S LIKE...I REALLY DON'T FEEL LIKE MARRYING SOMEONE ...
WHO I'VE ONLY KNOWN FOR JUST A MONTH...
SAY, KAEDE..
THAT'S STUPID SOUTA WILL BE JUST FINE!
WHY DO YOU THINK SO?
R.. REALLY?
I...IT CAN'T BE HELPED, YOU KNOW?
OH, MY! WHY ARE YOU MAKING THAT FACE?

BECAUSE I KNOW A LOT
OF SOUTA'S GOOD POINTS!

MY GOOD POINTS?
LIKE...
EH?

LIKE HE CHEWS HIS MEALS PROPERLY?
I'M NOT HAPPY ABOUT THAT AT ALL!


THERE MUST BE OTHER GOOD POINTS OF MINE!
O...OF COURSE THERE IS!
LIKE, YOU ALSO EAT THE LEFTOVERS ...
Not just about meals!!

FOR CRYIN' OUT LOUD ...
CAN YOU AT LEAST TELL ME SOMETHING RELEVANT?
SORRY, SORRY ...ARE YOU ANGRY?
NOT REAL-LY.
BUT, YOU KNOW ...
タンッ ...
IF IT'S SOUTA, YOU'LL BE FINE.
THERE'S NOTHING MORE RELEVANT THAN THAT.
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BECAUSE, IF EVER SOUTA AND WERE IN THE SAME GROUP,
I WOULD...DEFINITELY CHOOSE SOUTA!
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!
SO... LOOK!
HAVE SOME CONFIDENCE IN YOURSELF!
UHMM...THERE ARE ABOUT 10,000 PARTICIPANTS IN HAPIPURO, RIGHT?
SO THERE'S VERY LOW PROBABILITY THAT WE WILL BE IN THE SAME GROUP.
JUST WHAT ARE YOU GETTING AT?

TS Note: And I would choose kaede!

TS Note: Baka, your wife is right in front of you!

I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU! A GOOD LUCK CHARM FOR LOVE!
KEEP IT SAFE, OKAY?
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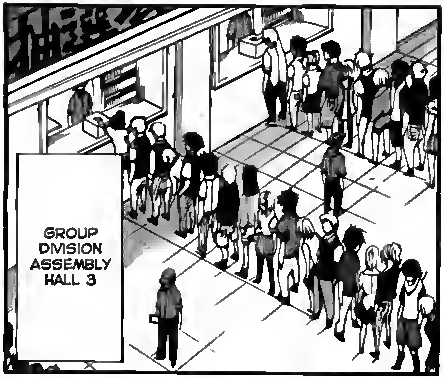
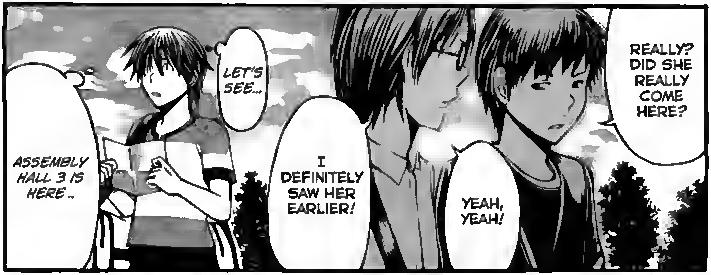
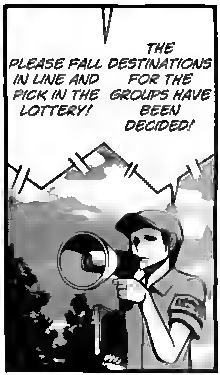
A GOOD-LUCK CHARM?
I WILL!
I'LL BE GOING!
ALRIGHT!


GROUP DIVISION ASSEMBLY HALL 3

LET'S GO!


ASSEMBLY HALL 3 IS HERE..
LET'S SEE...
I DEFINITELY SAW HER EARLIER!
YEAH, YEAH!
REALLY? DID SHE REALLY COME HERE?

IT'S LIKE THEY'RE WAITING TO HEAR THE VERDICT OF A HEARING!
WOW, WHAT A LINE!


PLEASE FALL IN LINE AND PICK IN THE LOTTERY!
THE DESTINATIONS FOR THE GROUPS HAVE BEEN DECIDED!

KAEDE'S IN KARUIZAWA, HUH? WHAT A NICE PLACE...
HOW WAS THE LOTTERY?
I'LL BE IN KARUIZAWA!
HAS SOUTA ALREADY PICKED?
MAIL! MAIL! MAIL! MAIL!
MAIL?
NEXT, PLEASE ...
EH? ALREADY?
I SHALL CONCENTRATE TO KEEP MY SENSES AND MY HEART INTACT!!
THAT IS, THE CORE OF MEIKYOU SHISUI!!
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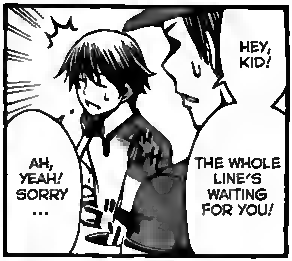
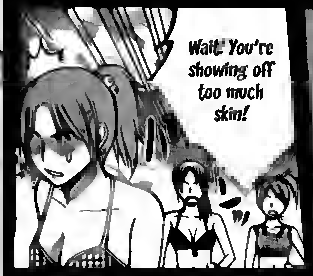
ブルッ
WHEREVER I AM PLACED...
MY FUTURE SHALL CHANGE WITH THIS DRAW!

TL NOTE: MEIKYOU SHISUI: WIKI IT. OR WATCH NURARIHYON NO MAGO

OH! ROKU-JOUJIMA!
IF I REMEMBER RIGHT, ROKUJOUJIMA IS A POPULAR TOURIST SPOT FOR ITS MOUNTAINS AND SEA!


HEY, KID!
THE WHOLE LINE'S WAITING FOR YOU!
AH, YEAH! SORRY ...

パラ...
六犬島
00478


Wait! You're showing off too much skin!

Yamano-kun will go to the beach with me!
No! With me!

HEY YAMANO-KUN! LET'S GO TO THE BEACH TOGETHER!

YAMANO!
JUST JOIN US THEN!
Eh? Even boys?
YAHAHAHA IF THAT WERE TO HAPPEN,
I'LL DEFINITELY BE BEAT...
ARE YOU OKAY? YOUR FACE IS TURNING RED...
N, NOTHING, SIR...
UHM... THE LINE.
!
!?
S...Sorry!
Ah...

ARE YOU OKAY? I'LL HELP YOU...
Ah, thank you!
I was getting my drink out...
but, I ended up falling instead!
WHAT'S
THIS?
AIR PUMP
HEATING PACK
PARTY POPPERS
NUNCHUCKS
NO, THIS IS JUST MY FANTASY OF WHAT'S INSIDE A GIRL'S BAG.. (I HOPE)
WHERE DOES SHE THINK SHE'S GOING?

HUP!
ガラ
THANK YOU, REALLY!
IT WAS NOTH-ING!
ペコ
WHAT CAN I DO TO PAY YOU BACK?
!

WELL, I'LL BE GOING!
Y...YES!
THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
ペコ
I WISH I ASKED FOR HER NAME...
ズキ…
NO, THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE...
I ONLY HELPED HER WITH HER LUGGAGE...
FOR THOSE WHO WILL BE DEPARTING TO ROKUJOUJIMA, PLEASE WAIT HERE...

00478
OH!
IT'S HERE!
THIS LOT IS GOING TO ROKU-JOUJIMA?
AND...MY GROUP IS..
I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO SPEAK.
DAMN! WHY AM I SO NERVOUS?
I'LL HAVE TO TALK TO THEM EVENTUALLY...
THIS MEANS, THESE PEOPLE ARE IN THE SAME GROUP AS ME...

HERE GOES NOTHING!
Nuoooh!
Hyaah!
HAVE MORE CONFIDENCE IN YOURSELF!
. . . . ?
EH?
AH...
I wasn't looking properly!
I...I'm so sorry!

BE-CAUSE YOU ARE HERE ...
YOU'RE ALSO GOING TO ROKU-JOUJIMA?
YES! I'M IN 00478!
AH, FROM EARLIER!
I WAS SURPRISED THERE! WHAT A COINCIDENCE ...
EH?
THIS IS 00478...
AH! I KNEW IT...
We're in the same group!
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00478
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AMAZING...
THIS REALLY IS A COINCIDENCE...
Oh, yeah!
I have to introduce myself!

I'm so sorry! I'm pretty much...eating my words!
SHE'S A BIT OUT-SPOKEN...
Ah!
I...I'M... NISHIKURA KOTONE!
I'M JUST A NORMAL TYPE OF PERSON, BUT PLEASE TAKE CARE OF ME!
LET'S DO IT TO-GETHER!
AND CALM OUR EMOTIONS!
ALRIGHT! LET'S TAKE A DEEP BREATH,
AH... YES!
I'M MIYANO SOUTA! PLEASED TO MEET YOU!

I SEE. I DON'T NEED TO BE SCARED
I'LL BE ALRIGHT BY MYSELF

SO, LET'S GET GOING!
AH...YES!

YES! ARE YOU ALSO?
AH, YEP!

UHM...
ARE YOU ALL IN 00478?

THESE TWO ARE ..
I SEE! HOW ARE YOU?
I'M SUGIMORI SHOUTAROU!
KAWADA KENICHI! PLEASED TO MEET YOU!
I'M KIMIJIMA PLEASED TO MEET YOU!
HMM... OKAY, THAT MAKES 5!
JUST ONE MORE AND WE'RE COMPLETE!
NISHIKURA KOTONE!
AN, I'M MIYANO SOUTA.

PLEASE MOVE ASIDE...
AHMM, EXCUSE ME.
IS THIS 00478?
I'M RELIEVED!
COME NOW! IT IS HERE.
YES IT IS
DON'T TELL ME, THIS IS THE 6TH MEMBER?
BUT HE LOOKS LIKE HE'S IN HIS TWENTIES...

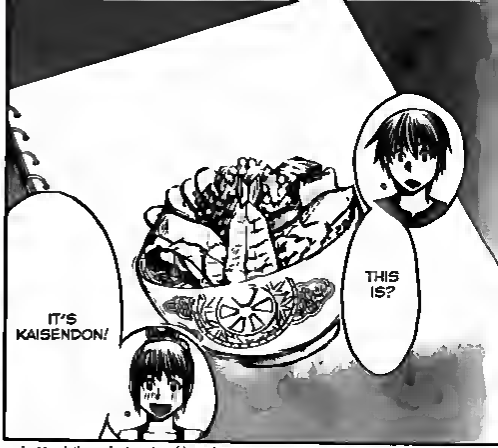
I'M KAMIKI HARUKA.
PLEASED TO MEET YOU!
EH?
KAMIKI HARUKA ...IT'S HER?
YES, THE ACTRESS KAMIKI HARUKA!
IT GOES TO SAY THAT I'M HER MAN-AGER!

T...The real Kamiki Haruka?
SO, I'LL BE LEAVING.
YEP, THANKS!
H...HEY... WHAT DO WE DO?
YEAH...?
IS IT ALRIGHT TO JUST TALK TO HER?
I THINK MIYANO-KUN SHOULD GREET HER...
EH... ME?
NO... I'M A BIT...
HOW ABOUT SUGIMORI?
NO, NO! I THINK IT SHOULD BE MIYANO-KUN...
A...Ah!

I...I'm a big, big, big fan of Haruka-chan!
Will you sign this for me?
Mi...Mishikura-san?
WE CAN'T EVEN GREET HER, BUT SHE WANTS TO GET HER AUTOGRAPH?
THAT'S TOO RECKLESS!
YEP!
FINE WITH ME!
WHAT A CUTE SKETCHBOOK!
I...I... LOVE TO DRAW ILLUSTRATIONS!

I'M SUGIMORI SHOU-TAROU!
PLEASED TO MEET YOU!
AH... I'M KA-WADA KENCHI.
YEP, NICE TO MEET YOU!
I'M KIMIJIMA SAE
HUH? SHE'S A NICE PERSON...
I'M...
MIYANO SOUTA.
NICE TO MEET YOU!
Ah... that's!
HUH? WHAT'S DRAWN ON THE OTHER PAGE?
I...CAN'T READ IT AT ALL...
WELL, IT'S AN AUTO-GRAPH AFTER ALL...
GOOD THING YOU WANTED HER AUTO-GRAPH!
AREN'T YOU GLAD? EHEHE...

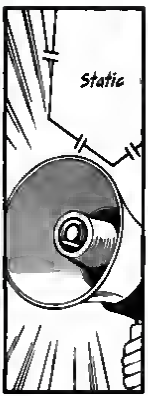
ramen with a stock simmered from pork bones



seafood bowl, the seafood version of katsudon

WHAT A NICE ATMOSPHERE...
EHEHE, HOW FLATTERING...
IS THAT SO?
I'VE MANAGED TO TALK EVEN WITH THE GUYS...
WHAT AM I SO WORRIED ABOUT?
THAT KAMIKI HARUKA...
WON'T LOSE TO THE OTHER TWO GIRLS IN TERMS OF CUTENESS!

OKAY, EVERYONE ...
YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE!!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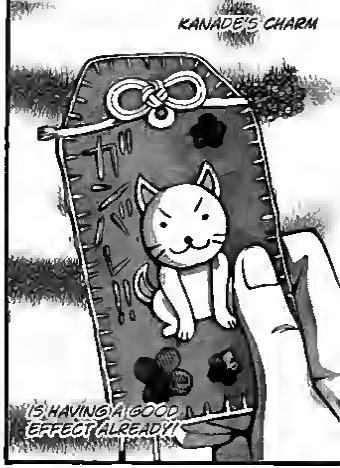
KANADE'S CHARM
IS HAVING A GOOD EFFECT ALREADY!

HEY,
MIYANO-KUN...

NOW THAT PREPARATIONS TO DEPART ARE DONE,
YOU WILL NOW GO TO ROKUJOUJIMA IN AN ORDERLY MANNER
FROM HERE ON OUT, AN OFFICIAL SHALL ESCORT YOU.

LET'S HAVE A FUN
HAPIPURO, OKAY?

YEAH!
LET'S DO THAT!

THE WORLD'S BEST SUMMER, WHEN ONE IS 18 YEARS OLD!

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